

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of California Water Service Company (U 60 W) for an Order Authorizing it to Increase Rates for Water Service in its Palos Verdes District.	Application 03-01-034 (Filed January 31, 2003)
Application of California Water Service Company (U 60 W) for an Order Authorizing it to Increase Rates for Water Service in its Oroville District.	Application 03-01-035 (Filed January 31, 2003)
Application of California Water Service Company (U 60 W) for an Order Authorizing it to Increase Rates for Water Service in its Selma District.	Application 03-01-036 (Filed January 31, 2003)
Application of California Water Service Company (U 60 W) for an Order Authorizing it to Increase Rates for Water Service in its Dominguez District.	Application 03-01-037 (Filed January 31, 2003)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
CONCERNING SCHEDULE FOR PROPOSED SETTLEMENT**

Tom Smegal of California Water Service and Monique Steele and Yoke W. Chan of the Office of Ratepayer Advocates met with me on October 24, 2003, to discuss scheduling matters in this proceeding. A settlement has been reached in the proceeding, but the parties said that certain corrections and additions to the proposed settlement need to be filed. They also indicated that the comparison exhibit, providing in more detail the provisions of the settlement, is still being

prepared. Also, I learned through the Public Advisor that Michele Waterbury of the Oroville Parks Commission has a family emergency and will not be able to file pleadings today, as I had previously ordered. In view of all these considerations, I agreed to postpone the hearing for the presentation of the settlement.

IT IS RULED as follows:

1. The hearing, originally scheduled for Tuesday, October 28, 2003, is now scheduled for Friday, November 21, 2003, in San Francisco.
2. Any pleading concerning intervention by Waterbury, the Oroville Parks Commission, or the City of Oroville must be filed and served by Tuesday, October 28, 2003.
3. The corrections to the proposed settlement must also be filed by October 28, 2003. California Water Service shall exchange its version of the comparison exhibit with ORA by Friday, October 31, 2003. The parties shall file and serve their comparison exhibit by November 17, 2003.
4. By Monday, October 27, 2003, Steele shall communicate this information to Waterbury, and Smegal shall communicate this information to the intervenors so that they are aware of schedule change.

Dated October 29, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JOHN THORSON

John Thorson
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail, and by electronic mail to the parties to which an electronic mail address has been provided, this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Concerning Schedule for Proposed Settlement on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated October 29, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO
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N O T I C E

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